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## Lafayette County in the War

The figures that are so far available in the county clerk's office relative to Lafayette County's part in the war in so far as man-power is concerned, are very interesting. Interesting for several reasons, and not the least of these is the number of men that could have been furnished if the war had been prolonged and every man had had to be called to help squelch the obnoxious Hun.

There were 4909 men registered and classified in the five different classes, and this number does not include the men in Company "A" under the age of 21 or over 31.

The classification was as follows:

Class I	1774
Class II	561
Class III	212
Class IV	1673
Class V	689

There were 913 inducted in the service; 816 white men, and 97 negroes. 238 volunteered, making a total of men in the service (not including the men in Company "A" under the age of 21 or over 31) of 1151.

The first registration called for men between the ages of 21 and 31, and therefore no record has been made of the men in Company "A" coming within those ages.

## Cadet Wm. D. McCollum Dies.

Cadet Wm. D. McCollum of Wentworth Military Academy, died Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, of pneumonia following the influenza. Cadet McCollum was one of the first stricken with the influenza at Wentworth. He was taken to the main hospital where he was immediately placed under the care of a trained nurse. After a few days pneumonia developed and his widowed mother was summoned to his bedside. He was 17 years of age.

The body was taken home Sunday morning. The Masons gave Mrs. McCollum every assistance as her husband had been a mason.

Lieut. Robert Ferguson returned Tuesday evening from Camp Pike, Ark., having recently graduated from the Officers' Training Camp at that place.

## Wickoff Heads Missouri State Conference.

L. B. Wickoff, Athletic Director at Wentworth Military Academy, was chosen president of the Missouri State Conference at the annual meeting of that body Saturday at the Coates House in Kansas City. J. C. Strock of the Missouri Military Academy was elected secretary and treasurer.

The championships for the season just closed were awarded. The basketball title was given to Wentworth, baseball to Kemper, and track to Wentworth. No title was awarded in football. The schedules for the 1919 seasons were drawn up and are as follows:

Basket ball.	
Jan. 23-24—Kemper vs. Wentworth at Lexington.	
Feb. 13-14—Missouri vs. W. M. A. at Lexington.	
Feb. 25-26—Wentworth vs. Kemper at Boonville.	
Feb. 27-28—Wentworth vs. Missouri at Mexico.	
May 6-7—Kemper vs. Missouri at Mexico.	

## Baseball.

April 3-4—Chillicothe vs. Kemper at Boonville.	
April 11-12—Kemper vs. Wentworth at Lexington; Missouri vs. Chillicothe at Chillicothe.	
April 17-18—Wentworth vs. Missouri at Mexico.	
April 24-25—Wentworth vs. Chillicothe at Chillicothe.	
April 28-29—Kemper vs. Chillicothe at Chillicothe.	
May 1-2—Chillicothe vs. Wentworth at Lexington.	
May 5-6—Missouri vs. Kemper at Boonville.	
May 12-13—Wentworth vs. Kemper at Boonville; Chillicothe vs. Missouri at Mexico.	
May 19-20—Missouri vs. Wentworth at Lexington.	
May 27-28—Kemper vs. Missouri at Mexico.	

## Football.

Oct. 31—Chillicothe vs. Wentworth at Lexington.	
Nov. 7—Kemper vs. Missouri at Mexico.	
Nov. 14—Chillicothe vs. Kemper at Boonville.	
Nov. 17—Wentworth vs. Missouri at Mexico.	
Nov. 27—Kemper vs. Wentworth at Lexington; Chillicothe vs. Missouri at Mexico.	

## Reported Missing in Action.

Mrs. Fannie Taney has been notified by the War Department that her son, Private Henry Taney, has been reported missing in action since September 27.

Mrs. Margaret A. Williams, east of Lexington, has been notified by the War Department that her son, Private Edward V. Williams, has been reported missing in action since September 29.

Both young men belonged to Company "A," 140 Infantry.

## Carlson M. Estabrook Wounded.

W. A. Estabrook was notified Tuesday that his son, Private Carlson M. Estabrook was severely wounded in action on November 1st. Private Estabrook left here with a contingent on April 6th, for Camp Funston, Kansas, and is a member of the 89th Division.

## Probably a Mistake.

Mrs. W. Beisenherz received a telegram Tuesday announcing that her son, Private Ewald L. Beisenherz, is reported missing in action since October 1. Mrs. Beisenherz says that this must be an error, as parties in the city have received letters from their sons, mentioning the fact that Ewald was in a hospital. Some of the letters received were written as late as November 5th.

## Corp. Rouse Wounded in Action.

Saturday by the War Department this morning by the War Department that his son, George S. Rouse, was severely wounded in action about September 30th. Corporal Rouse was a member of Company "A" 140th Infantry. A brother, Orville Rouse, is also a member of the same company. Both volunteered when the company was formed.

## Leo H. Osthoff Wounded.

Leo H. Osthoff is reported as severely wounded in action on November 1. Private Osthoff left with a contingent for Camp Funston, April 6, 1918, and belongs to the 89th Division. His home is in Wellington.

## Capt. Ralph Campbell Promoted.

The information has been received that Capt. Ralph Campbell of the 140 Infantry, 35th Division, 3rd Army Corps, has been promoted to major. Major Campbell was recently cited by his divisional commander for bravery.

## It's Now Capt. Fred A. Wilmot.

Information has been received that 1st Lieut. Fred A. Wilmot, 317th Supply Train, 92nd Division, has been promoted to captain, and his train transferred to the Third Army Corps.

## Irvin Morris Fully Recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Morris have received a cablegram from their son, Lieut. Irvin Morris, stating that he has fully recovered from his wound and is now with his regiment.

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Mrs. Mabel Moorehouse, sister of Mrs. George M. Turner of this city, died at the St. Mary's hospital in Kansas City, Saturday night. Mrs. Moorehouse was 37 years of age, and is survived by her mother, one son and two sisters.

## A Statement.

About twenty years ago the Lafayette Telephone Company started in the telephone business in Lexington, Missouri, and at that time had about two hundred subscribers. During the twenty year development period the growth of the exchange has been slow but steady and now the Telephone Company is serving about one thousand subscribers. This means that the value of the service to the subscribers has been increased five times from the original number.

During this period many changes have taken place. The plant has been rebuilt, aerial wire has been superceded by aerial cable and as the aerial cable became to heavy and unsightly the Telephone Company has placed certain portions of their plant underground. Probably one of the most noticeable changes and the one which the telephone subscribers remember most distinctly is when the telephones were changed from the Magne type to the Common Battery type. Formerly it was necessary to turn a crank before calling; central but with the improved type of service you merely lift the receiver from the hook. The new type of switchboard is much more complicated than the Magne type and the cost of furnishing service has gradually increased from year to year and yet the Telephone Company has maintained a rate of \$1.00 per month for residence telephones.

The larger the exchange the more money it costs per station to furnish service. This is due to the fact that the original subscribers are usually concentrated in a small area but as the city grows it requires more cables, poles and wires to meet the outlying communities. More complicated equipment is required in the central office. Better trained employees are necessary to maintain this equipment. Formerly it was only necessary to use one wire from the switchboard to the subscriber's station but with the Common Battery equipment it requires two wires from the switchboard to the subscribers station. This is a very important factor from an investment basis but it furnishes the very best service. Labor and materials over the development period have gradually increased and especially is this true in the last few years. Some materials have advanced from 50 to 300%. It is the opinion of experts that these prices will continue for some years to come and conditions are such now that the Telephone Company requires additional revenue in order to maintain their service at a high degree of efficiency and keep the plant up in good condition.

Since the Telephone Company is compelled to seek an increase in telephone rates it is because circumstances have forced them to pursue this course, for it is clearly evident from the bare facts that the residence rate has remained at \$1.00 per month for the past twenty years that it is the Telephone Company's intention to furnish the highest class of service for the lowest price and for that reason they have carried the burden of these increases over the development period.

It is with reluctance that the subject of increase in telephone rates at this time is approached. However, we feel that telephone subscribers who believe in fair dealing with public spirited utilities and beneficial industries

## Damage Suit Reversed and Remanded.

The case of William Fred Bollmeyer against the Eagle Mill & Elevator Company of Higginsville, for damages, has been reversed and remanded by the Kansas City Court of Appeals, and a new trial ordered. The case was tried in the circuit court and the jury returned a verdict for the defendant. The appeal was made on the grounds of an erroneous instructions, which the court of appeals decided ought not to have been given and sent the case back for a new trial.

## Ochner-Rush.

Mr. O. H. Ochner of Herman, Mo., and Miss Mabel Rush, daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rush of this city, were married Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. J. E. Alexander pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, performed the ceremony.

It was a quiet home wedding with only the immediate relatives of the bride present. After the ceremony they left for Kansas City, where they will spend their honeymoon.

## Death of Lee Ainsworth.

Lee Ainsworth died Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at his home 24th and Main Streets, of pneumonia following influenza.

Mr. Ainsworth was born in this city, August 29, 1890. He was married to Miss Mattie Calaway at Ft. Worth, Texas, April 2, 1913. Besides his wife and an adopted daughter, he is survived by his father, Henry Ainsworth, two brothers, Harry and Greer Ainsworth, of this city, two sisters, Mrs. Leslie Kroeck, of this city, and Mrs. Willis Gabel of Kansas City.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the home.

## Death of Mrs. Robert O'Dell.

Mrs. Robert O'Dell died yesterday morning at 7 o'clock at her home in the Southside Addition, death being due to pneumonia following influenza.

Mrs. O'Dell was 25 years of age. Besides her husband, she is survived by four daughters, one son, her parents, two brothers, and three sisters.

will lend their unqualified support to the readjustment of rates which the Telephone Company is compelled to seek.

## Death of Lilburn V. Wallace.

A Cablegram was received Monday evening by Mrs. Charles Wallace, announcing the death of her son, Lilburn V. Wallace, in a hospital in London, England. No details were given.

Two years ago Mr. Wallace was returned to London by the Associated Press, and during this past summer was called to Paris to do special work for the army edition of the Chicago Tribune. He had been in poor health for the past four years, causing him to give up, in part, the journalistic work to which he was so attached and so eminently qualified to handle.

Mr. Wallace was born in this city, February 14, 1888. He received his education in the public schools of Lexington, and at an early age began his journalistic work. The usual struggles of an aspirant in this field of endeavor were encountered, but his natural instinct supplemented by hard work soon gained him recognition from the big metropolitan dailies and afterwards by the great news agencies of the country. He was at different times sent to Europe on special work, and later became the resident representative of the Associated Press in London.

Mr. Wallace is survived by his wife, who was an English girl, and two small daughters, besides his mother, two sisters, Mrs. Arch Hix, and Miss Margaret Wallace, all of this city, and three brothers, Charles of Arizona, Carlyle of Indiana, and George of Kansas City, on the editorial staff of the Star.

## Death of Chas. S. Stapleton.

Charles S. Stapleton died Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at his home on Sixth street, of pneumonia following influenza.

Mr. Stapleton was born near Lexington, March 30, 1891. He was married about four years ago to Miss Dora Taney, who with one son, Charles, Jr., survives. He is also survived by four half sisters and one half brother.

The funeral was held from the home yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

## Death of Mrs. Angeline Oliaro.

Mrs. Angeline Oliaro died Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at her home near the Summit Camp, of pneumonia following influenza. She was a native of Italy. She is survived by her husband and three children.



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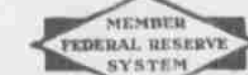
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